

**CLAIMS**

- What is claimed is:*
1. Alkanolamide-free cosmetic preparations consisting of
    - (a) 30 to 70% by weight of a mixture of (a1) fatty alcohol (polyglycol) esters, (a2) fatty alcohol polyglycol ethers, (a3) polyols, (a4) alkyl and/or alkenyl oligoglycosides and
    - (b) 70 to 30% by weight of oil components,
 with the proviso that the quantities add up to 100% by weight.
  2. Preparations as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that they contain as component (a1) fatty acid (polyglycol) esters corresponding to formula (I):



where  $\text{R}^1\text{CO}$  is a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated acyl group containing 6 to 30 carbon atoms,  $x$  has an average value of 0 to 30 and AO is a  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}-$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{O}-$  and/or  $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{O}$  group and  $\text{R}^2$  is a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated alkyl group containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms.

3. Preparations as claimed in claims 1 and/or 2, characterized in that they contain as component (a1) fatty acid (polyglycol) esters corresponding to formula (I), in which  $\text{R}^1\text{CO}$  is a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated acyl group containing 10 to 18 carbon atoms,  $x$  has a value of 10 to 15 and  $\text{R}^2$  is methyl.
4. Preparations as claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that they contain as component (a2) fatty alcohol polyglycol ethers corresponding to formula (II):



- 30 in which  $\text{R}^3$  is a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated  $\text{C}_{12-18}$

hydrocarbon radical and m is a number of on average 2 to 6.

5. Preparations as claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that they contain fatty alcohol polyglycol ethers corresponding to formula (II), in which R<sup>3</sup> is a linear or branched, saturated or unsaturated hydrocarbon radical containing 12 to 14 carbon atoms.

10 6. Preparations as claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that they contain as component (a3) polyols selected from the group consisting of glycerol, alkylene glycols, technical oligoglycerol mixtures, methylol compounds, lower alkyl glucosides, sugar alcohols, sugars, amino sugars and dialcohol amines.

15 7. Preparations as claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that they contain as component (a4) alkyl and/or alkenyl oligoglycosides corresponding to formula (III):

15 R<sup>4</sup>O-[G]<sub>p</sub> (I)

where R<sup>4</sup> is an alkyl and/or alkenyl group containing 4 to 22 carbon atoms, G is a sugar unit containing 5 or 6 carbon atoms and p is a number of 1 to 10.

20 8. Preparations as claimed in at least one of claims 1 to 7, characterized in that they contain castor oil as component (b).

9. The use of the mixtures claimed in claim 1 for the production of clear, alkanolamine-free cosmetic preparations.

10. The use of the mixtures claimed in claim 1 for the production of 25 clear, alkanolamine-free hair and skin care preparations.

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